# **Texas**



Entered the Union: 1845

Population (est. 1994):

18,378,000 Rank: 2/50

Land Area (square miles):

261,914 Rank: 2/50

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ARCHIVES AND RECORDS PROGRAM	FINANCES		
State Archives Established: 1909	Total State Govt Expenditures (1993):		
State Records Management Initiated: 1947	\$35,111,320,000		
Archives Placement Texas State Library and Archives Commission, State Archives Division	Total Budget, Archives and Records Management (FY 1994): \$3,020,044		
Records Management Placement Texas State Library and Archives Commission, State and Local Records Management Division	Percent of Total State Expenditures Allocated to Archives and Records: 0.009 %  State Archives funding has decreased over last 2 years.		

STAFFING	'nŶŶŶ
State Government FTEs (1992): 239,702 Archives & Records FTEs (1994): Total 83.75	Number of Archives/Records FTEs per 1000 State FTEs: 0.35  Average earnings for all full-time state employees
Archives 22.75 Records Mgt 61	(Oct. 1992):\$28,212 per year  Salary ranges for entry level professionals  Archivist \$20,652  Records Consultant \$28,688

HOLDINGS					
State Archives Paper records Government Nongovernment	31,000 1,000	cu. ft. cu. ft.	Records Center Paper records Government Nongovernment	199,342 0	cu. ft. cu. ft.
Microfilm (total no. of rolls) Photographs Films, videos, audio tapes	3,500 500,000 2,200	rolls items items	Microfilm (total no. of rolls) Computer generated Maps, blueprints, drawings	282,840 4,513 5,762	rolls reels cu. ft.
Maps, blueprints, drawings	7,000	cu. ft.			
Books, other printed	30,000	items			

#### **ACCESS TO RECORDS IN STATE ARCHIVES** Reference services provided (FY 1994) Arrangement and description activities (FY 1994) Individual daily visits Records arranged and described 1,688 cu. ft. 16,661 Mail requests 9,063 Descriptions of holdings are provided through: Telephone requests 8,775 World Wide Web home page: http://link.tsl.texas.gov Reference activity has increased over last 2 years. Telnet: link.tsl.texas.gov Services provided free of charge: Nonelectronic finding aids available at State Archives Use of reference room describe 85% of holdings at the record group and Answers to in-state and out-of-state mail requests 60% at series level. E-mail for receiving/responding to requests Published finding aids produced by State Archives Commercial use of documents/photos describe 1% of holdings at record group and <1% at cont. series level cont.

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# Access to Records in State Archives, cont.

Reference services, cont.

Services provided for a fee:

Photocopies and faxes of documents or finding aids Typed certified copies or exemplifications No fees have been initiated in last 2 years. Arrangement and description, cont.

**Automated finding aids** accessible in-house describe <1% of holdings at record group and series level

**Automated finding aids** accessible remotely describe <1% of holdings at record group and series level.

## **FACILITIES**



**State Archives Building** 

(owned by Texas State Library)

Constructed: 1961

Total storage capacity: 26,000 cu. ft.

Percent now occupied: 100%

Already full to capacity No construction planned

An additional facility owned by the TSL is used to house

25% of total state archives holdings.

Existing environmental controls (NFPA standards):

0% year-round temperature controls0% year-round humidity controls

100% fire detection 100% fire suppression **State Records Center** 

(owned by Texas State Library)

Constructed: 1972 Renovated: 1988

Total storage capacity: 393,000 cu. ft.

Percent now occupied: 53%

Will be full in 10+ years
No construction planned

Existing environmental controls (ANSI/NFPA standards):

100% year-round temperature controls100% year-round humidity controls

100% fire detection 100% fire suppression

# SERVICES TO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

# Technical assistance provided by State and Local Records Management (FY 1994):

State agencies/number completed
Consulting hours 2,238

Training hours 3,656 Publications 2,639

Micrographicsreported below Local governments/number completed

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Consulting hours 3,945

Training hours 8,519
Publications 34,751
Micrographicsreported below

State agencies/number of governments served

Consulting 149
Training 70
Publications 161
Micrographics 52

Local governments/number of agencies served

Consulting 3,433 Training 1,675 Publications 6,723 Micrographics 10 State Archives has authority to accept original archival records from local governments

No. of local government units (1994):\*

254 counties 1,066 school districts 1,173 municipalities 1,967 special districts

4,400 elected county officers

\*Corrected figures provided by State Coordinator.

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# **MICROGRAPHICS**



# PRESERVATION POLICIES AND SERVICES



# Microfilming activities by State Records Management

Source document microfilming 9,870,555 images Processing 84,585 rolls Duplicating 58,601 rolls 96.490 fiche

Records Management provides centralized micrographics services for state and local government agencies.

State Archives and Records Management have experienced redox problems.

Records Management stores security microfilm for state government agencies.

## Preservation activities by State Archives (FY 1994)

39.4 cu. ft. rehoused

State Archives does not have a written preservation plan but does have a written disaster plan.

State Archives has a preservation officer and but does not employ a trained, full-time conservator.

Texas does not have a statewide preservation plan or a disaster response team.

### AUTOMATED APPLICATIONS



# State Archives and Records Management use automated applications for the following:

Finding aids Accell, Microsoft Word (DOS &

Apple) Accessioning Accell, Minaret Inventory control Accell, Minaret Records scheduling Filemaker Pro

Correspondence Microsoft Word (DOS and Apple),

electronic mail

Space management Accell

Microsoft Excel Bookkeeping Publications Pagemaker

#### **Electronic Mail**

State Archives and Records Management staff can communicate within the agency, with other state government agencies, and with outsiders via the Internet through a government-wide e-mail system.

NASIRE reports that a government-wide e-mail system is in the planning process.

## **ELECTRONIC RECORDS**



State Archives and Records Management have an electronic records management program integrated with the regular program. State Archives and Records Management has scheduled dispositions for electronic records. State Archives and Records Management provides security storage for and has accessioned electronic records.

Key initiatives re: electronic records Standards and Procedures for Electronic Records of State Agencies and Local Governments adopted as administrative rules, effective March 1993. Publications developed to inform state agencies and local governments about the electronic records rules: RMD Technical Bulletin #11, revised Electronic Records chapter of the Texas State Records Management Manual, spring issue of The Local Record, and Local Government Bulletin #2, Training class "Introduction to Managing Electronic Records" revised to incorporate rules. Development of new training class on Electronic Document Imaging to inform state and local government staff about use of this new technology for recordkeeping. Publication of RMD Technical Bulletin #15 and Fall 1994 issue of The Local Record to alert state agencies and local governments to the issues that need to be considered in the management of electronic mail.

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# RECORDS-RELATED LEGISLATION, REGULATIONS, AND GUIDELINES



#### Definition of a record

1989 statute

Includes e-mail and electronic records (definition of state records includes "other material regardless of form or characteristic," local record definition includes "electronic medium.")

Public's right to access to government records provided in statute.

## Restrictions to specific classes of records

provided, expire after 50 years for birth records, after 25 years for death records.

# Permanent paper standards

Under development

# Optical imaging standards

1993 regulations

### Admissibility of microfilm

1989 statute

# Admissibility of optical images

None

# Admissibility of electronic records

None

## Theft/defacement of a public record

1989 statute

#### Replevin

1989 statute

### INFORMATION POLICY AND INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVES

# **Information Resources Management**

No activity reported.

# **Information Policy Coordination**

No activity reported.

# **Government Information Locator Service**

No activity reported.

# Electronic Access to Government Information and Services

NASIRE reports that the "Texas Information Highway" is being implemented.

NGA reports that Texas has developed a network of multimedia kiosks that can access information about government services in both English and Spanish. Comptroller's Office has developed a bulletin board service to assist local governments in managing computer data and accessing financial information from the state.

Texas Information Highway http://info.texas/gov/

State Library

http://link.tsl.texas.gov

# SPECIAL PROJECTS AND PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

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Records Management information made available on-line via Texas State Electronic Library (Project Link). Examples of materials accessible through Link: local government retention schedules, administrative rules for state and local government records, library holdings of state agencies.

# Confederate database on Internet

[NAGARA Clearinghouse 11:2 (Spring 1995)]

# SHRAB ACTIVITIES

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### **Planning Grant**

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## **Notes**

Program elements included in Archives and Records Management budget and FTE figures:

Archives, \$642,698; Records Management, \$2,377,346; 5% of Archives funding and 45% of Records Management funding is derived from fees. In addition to core elements found in most state archives programs (records scheduling, appraisal, accessioning, processing, archival description and reference, and training), the Texas budget and personnel figures also cover

service to local governments

centralized micrographics,

· preservation microfilming,

records preservation -records center

# Abbreviations/Acronyms

COM Computer output microfilm

COSHRC Council of State Historical Records Coordinators

FTEs Full time equivalent staff positions SHRAB State Historical Records Advisory Board

N/A Not available

NAGARA National Association of Government Archives and

Records Administrators

NASIRE National Association of State Information Resources

Executives

NGA National Governor's Association

NHPRC National Historical Publications and Records

Commission

RLIN Research Libraries Information Network SHRAB State Historical Records Advisory Board

## **Sources**

Unless otherwise specified below, all information in this profile was provided by the State Archives and/or Records Management offices in the state. Most 1994 data was collected on the Joint Survey administered by the National Association of Government Archives and Records Administrators (NAGARA) and the Council of State Historical Records Coordinators (COSHRC). Additional information was collected from state-issued newsletters and publicity materials, the NAGARA newsletter, *Clearinghouse*, and interviews with state personnel.

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Estimated State Population (July 1, 1994):
Estimates were published in the Census Bureau
newsletter, *Census and You* (January 1995): 3. The
numbers include Armed Forces personnel residing in
each state.

State Government Finances, Employment, and Earnings Data:

U.S. Bureau of the Census, State Finances: 1993, Public Employment: 1992.

Number of local government units: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1992 Census of Governments, *Government Organization*.

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